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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AMERICA'S DOMESTIC STEEL INDUSTRY

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This joint resolution of the Legislature expresses support for emergency measures needed to save the American steel industry.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

WHEREAS, the American steel industry is in jeopardy of being eliminated from the United States due to imported and illegal dumping of steel in America;

WHEREAS, foreign countries that sell government-subsidized steel at below United States market prices improve their own economies, while hurting American business and putting American steelworkers out of work;

WHEREAS, existing laws in the United States regarding steel dumping are neither enforced nor strict enough, have forced 18 United States steelmakers to file for bankruptcy protection, and have resulted in the loss of tens of thousands of American steelworker jobs;

WHEREAS, the American steel industry plays a vital role in the nation's defense and economic well-being; and

WHEREAS, the total collapse of the American steel industry could have a devastating effect on manufacturers, businesses, and communities that depend on steel:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah expresses support for emergency measures that need to be taken to save the American steel industry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of Utah's congressional delegation.